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**AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION RESPONSIVE TO
FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 18, 2006**

Dear Commissioner:

This paper is being submitted in reply to the Advisory Action, mailed September 21, 2006, for which the date for response is October 21, 2006. In response to the Final Office Action dated May 18, 2006, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks.

The Applicants' **Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

The Applicants' **Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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